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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 8/27/62

WEATHER Scattered showers were reported from Monday night until Thursday night. Clear skies closed out the period. Rainfall totals were generally less than 1/2 inch west and northeast, and over one inch south central and southeast; little or none fell in the north central. Dewese reported 2.80 inches Thursday night; Oshkosh reports no rain in August.

Temperatures averaged near normals of 70 degrees northwest and 75 degrees southeast. Thursday and Friday were mild; other days were warm in most sections. Valentine reported 101 degrees; Wakefield had 38 degrees. Considerable wind and low humidity were noted during the latter part of the week.

CROPS Corn made good progress last week and seasonal development is ahead of normal.

Approximately one-fifth of the crop is in the dent stage, three-fifths is in hard dough and the remainder in the milk or earlier stages. Topsoil moisture is short in several areas and the dryland crop needs rain. Irrigation has increased. Milo showed satisfactory development and most of it has headed. Many fields are turning color. Some of the forage and silage varieties are about ready for harvest.

Soybeans made excellent growth and podding is well advanced. Timely rains will be needed to promote filling of beans and to carry the crop to maturity. Prospects for dry beans and sugar beets improved as both crops benefited from drier weather. A few fields of beans have been cut but much of the crop is late. Growers are now irrigating beets heavily. Potato harvest is finished in the central area. A few fields of early maturing varieties are being harvested in the Panhandle. Unharvested fields are making good progress.

About two-thirds of the third crop of alfalfa is cut and harvest of the fourth crop is underway in some areas. Wild hay cutting is nearing completion. Pastures and ranges are in good condition and providing an adequate supply of livestock feed.

Seeding of winter wheat is underway in a few places but less than one percent of the intended acreage has been seeded. About one-tenth of the legumes and grasses have been seeded. Additional moisture is needed for proper germination.

LIVESTOCK Cattle are maintaining good condition and the weather has been favorable for new born pigs. There has been some increased activity in contracting of feeder cattle. July inshipments of feeder cattle and calves totaled 49,000 head, about the same as a year earlier. Sheep and lamb shipments into Nebraska were 21,000 head, 14 percent above a year ago.

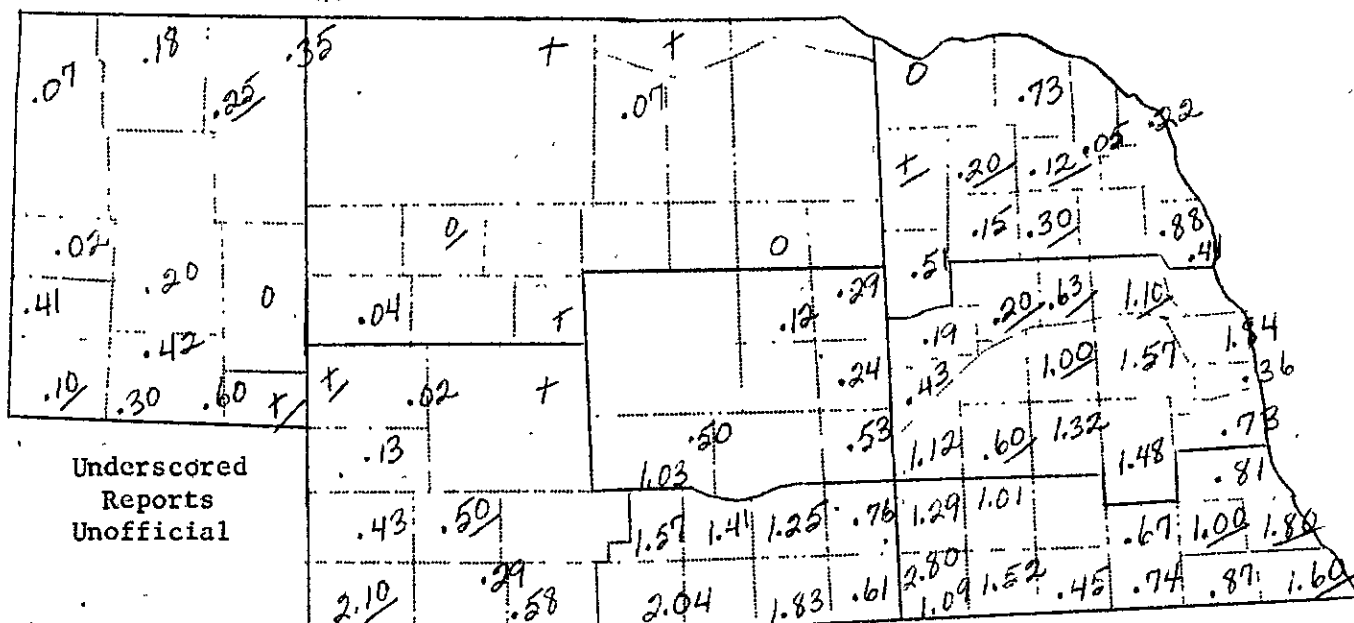
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 27, 1962

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	.41	Burwell	0	Chadron	.01
Lincoln	1.49	North Platte	T	Imperial	.37
Norfolk	.15	Valentine	0	Scottsbluff	.02
Omaha	1.74			Sidney	.14
Sioux City	.22				

Precipitation, April 1 - August 24, 1962

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.26	.02	.37	.35	.90	.30	1.40	1.20
Total since April 1	14.50	20.35	19.02	21.38	16.42	22.01	19.39	17.00
Normal since April 1	11.02	13.33	15.53	14.25	16.55	12.27	14.61	17.77

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING AUGUST 24, 1962



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., CST)

		August		21st		22nd		23rd		24th		25th		26th		27th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	92	70	98	60	94	56	72	44	81	43	92	49	99	68		
	Scottsbluff	88	60	91	56	87	53	65	45	77	48	88	48	95	--		
	Sidney	86	60	89	52	87	54	75	48	75	48	90	49	94	56		
NC	Burwell	93	61	94	70	91	60	84	54	80	45	90	54	97	--		
	Valentine	90	67	93	69	96	53	78	50	80	49	94	51	101	59		
NE	Norfolk	86	60	91	70	89	68	83	61	77	47	88	59	92	62		
	Sioux City	85	62	90	70	83	71	83	63	77	48	82	58	89	59		
CEN	Grand Island	87	59	92	66	95	67	84	60	77	49	86	61	90	57		
EC	Lincoln	82	62	90	73	95	70	81	62	75	55	86	62	90	66		
	Omaha	79	60	88	73	91	69	82	61	74	51	80	61	85	63		
SW	Imperial	90	60	91	59	92	65	83	58	76	52	91	53	98	56		
	North Platte	89	62	88	64	92	62	82	54	80	51	90	51	99	60		

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